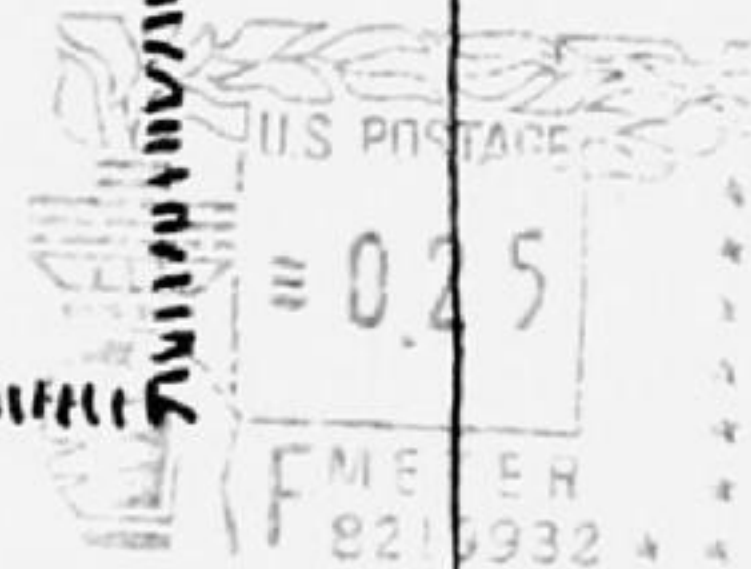


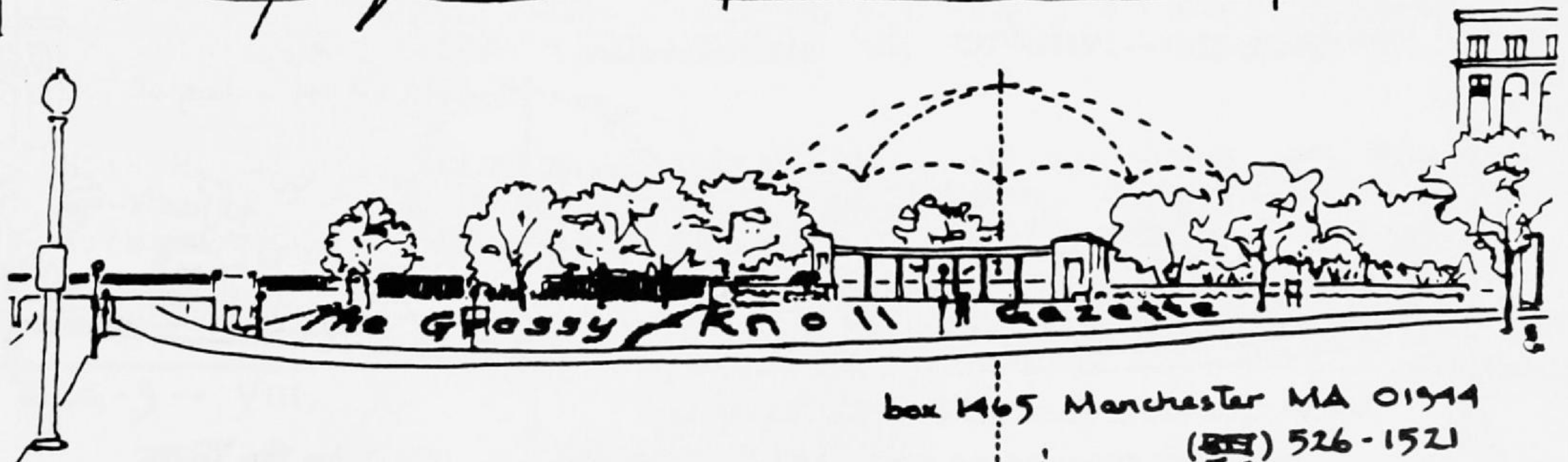
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MLK ... Memphis ... 1968 ...

The Murder of Martin Luther King jr (CAIB, #24) by John Edginton and John Sergeant, producers of Otmoor's BBC/TV MLK piece, questions Raoul's escape. GKG's answer, which includes Ray's vacating the premises (Tennessee Waltz, 2nd Ed p 78) is set forth on pages 4 thru 7. Stop for a minute and think as Raoul did, planning saving his and his hit-man's necks at the expense of the patsy-to-be. The answer seems acceptable to us but we are not averse to improvements on the scenario.

First, we have comments/questions on page 22 items :

... bullet hit Dr King in the neck, severing his spinal column and leaving a massive exit hole

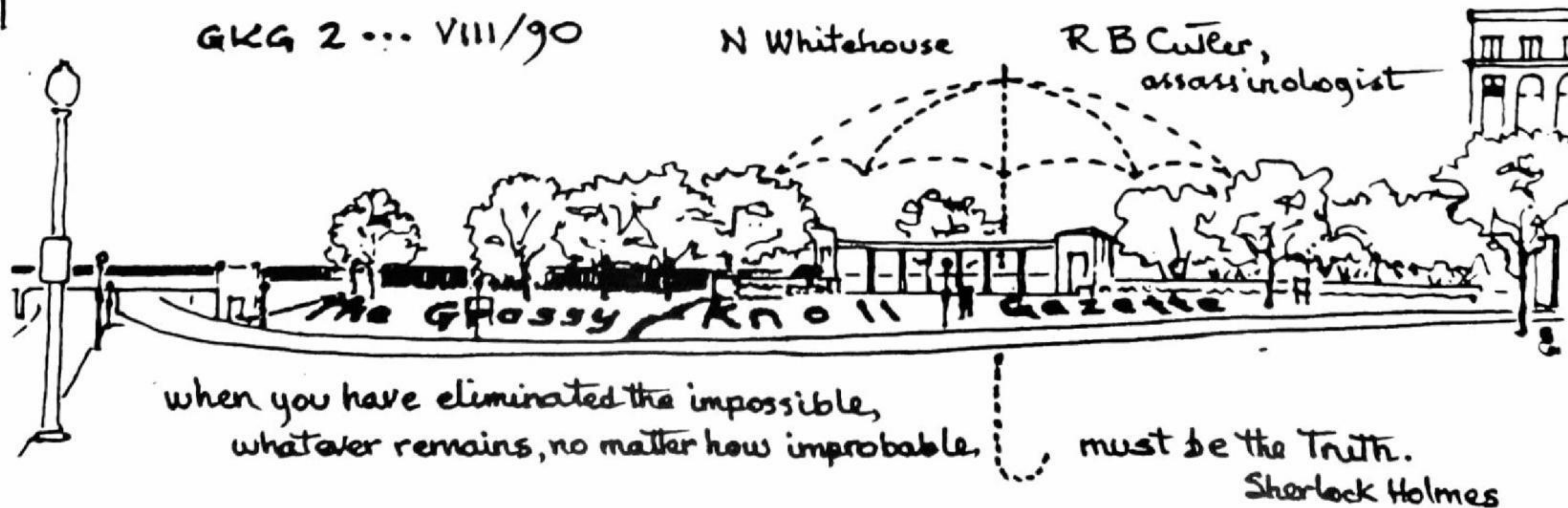
The bullet hit Dr King's jaw leaving an entrance/exit wound. It then entered his neck, severed his spinal column and lodged in his back. There is no "massive exit hole".

... like his contemporary Lee Harvey Oswald, Jules Kimble had been living in Crescent City, CA during the early 60's ...

With A J Hidell, alias Oswald, in the USSR X/59 until VI/62 we need some help in identifying this Crescent City Oswald, please.

....three people claim to have seen a gunman in the bushes across the street ...

Cornbread Carter and Solomon Jones are the two we have read about. Have Andy Young, Ralph Abernathy (?), Marrell McCullough and the girl in Joe Louw's famous photo ever told what they were photographed pointing at ? It's exactly in the right direction, right at the bushy knoll, from which the assassin fired the fatal shot. Any help along these lines will be much appreciated.



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This spoof of the assassin's firing position is mentioned only incidentally in the article.

As part of the State of Tennessee's case against James it bears re-examination if re-opening of his case is to be denied.

We include it to tell you how the window was "opened" so the assassin would have a clear shot at his victim.

This photo's original shows the lower sash fully raised making an opening of about 16". (dotted line)

In its lower, retouched position it matches another picture taken from outside the building about five minutes after the murder.



Harold Weisberg had a blowup made of the window in that picture to find about how far the window was open. He confirmed our estimate of three or four inches when we located it in UPI Boston in 1980. It should be obvious that no shot was fired from this almost closed window particularly when the stance required to fire an accurate shot at even point-blank range (64 yards) leaves a lot to be desired.

The window was officially "opened" during that night after the murder and sent out over UPI wires the next day. The bullet's window-to-balcony flightpath was inked in white ink with black-ink border on another picture taken from the motel balcony. At the flightpath's origin, where window and black-ink border merged, the window was "opened" with a stroke of the black-ink pen. The same photo shows two small trees cut down, "hanging vertically by their stumps, their tops touching the sidewalk, so the bullet would have a clear path to its destination.

With Ray's fingerprints on the rifle so conveniently left for him on the sidewalk outside Canipe's store and Dr King murdered from across Mulberry St, it was an "open window" case, good enough to incarcerate the patsy for more than twenty-two years for a crime he could not possibly have committed. James deserves a Trial.

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The layout of the assassination site, page 5, & 7, uses a small dashline to indicate the roominghouse doorways and the FBI's bathroom window..... see 1st and 2nd floor lists.

Across Mulberry St from the motel is the bushy knoll, the former backyard of a building demolished and in-filled to make a parking area. Its entrance on South Main is flanked by three billboards, b b b , set above a 7-foot wall.

Scene 1 : five circles of interest

1) Officer Dollahite's estimated position on Huling; 2) MLK on the balcony joking with his friends around the limousine parked below; 3) the assassin waiting on the bushy knoll; 4) Raoul waiting with the bundle of patsy evidence in the bathroom and 5) James, JER, in the Mustang, pulling away from the curb into the "busy-time" traffic on South Main.

It is about ten minutes of six, pm, maybe 1755 CST.

Scene 2 : four circles of interest

James, the fifth circle, is a country quarter-mile away in search of repairing the Mustang's flat spare for Raoul's convenience.

The assassin's bullet has killed Dr King and the limousine and friends have been largely ommitted in favour of the flightpath's arrow.

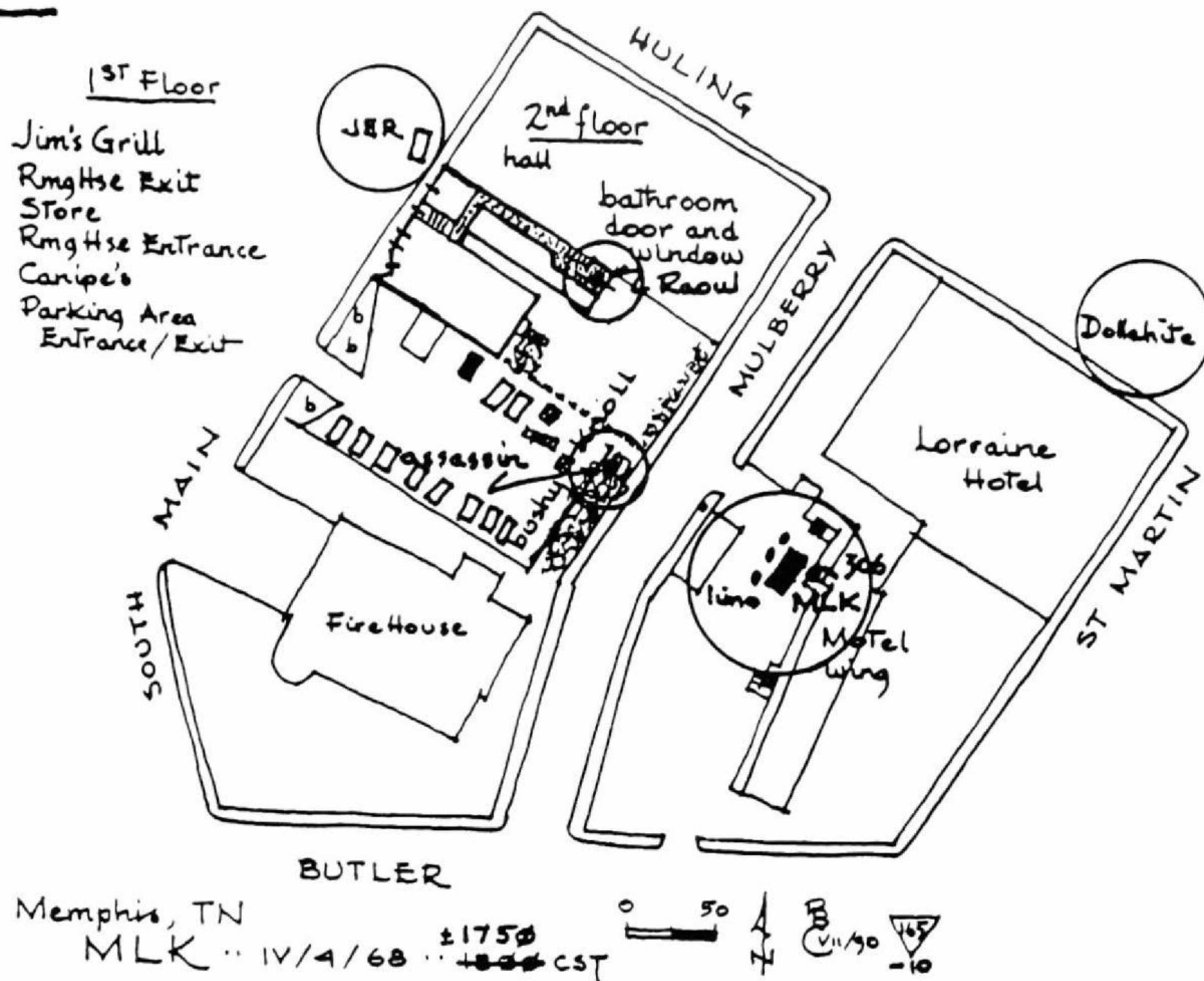
Raoul, hearing the shot, is preparing to make like an escaping assassin.

Dollahite's position remains unchanged.

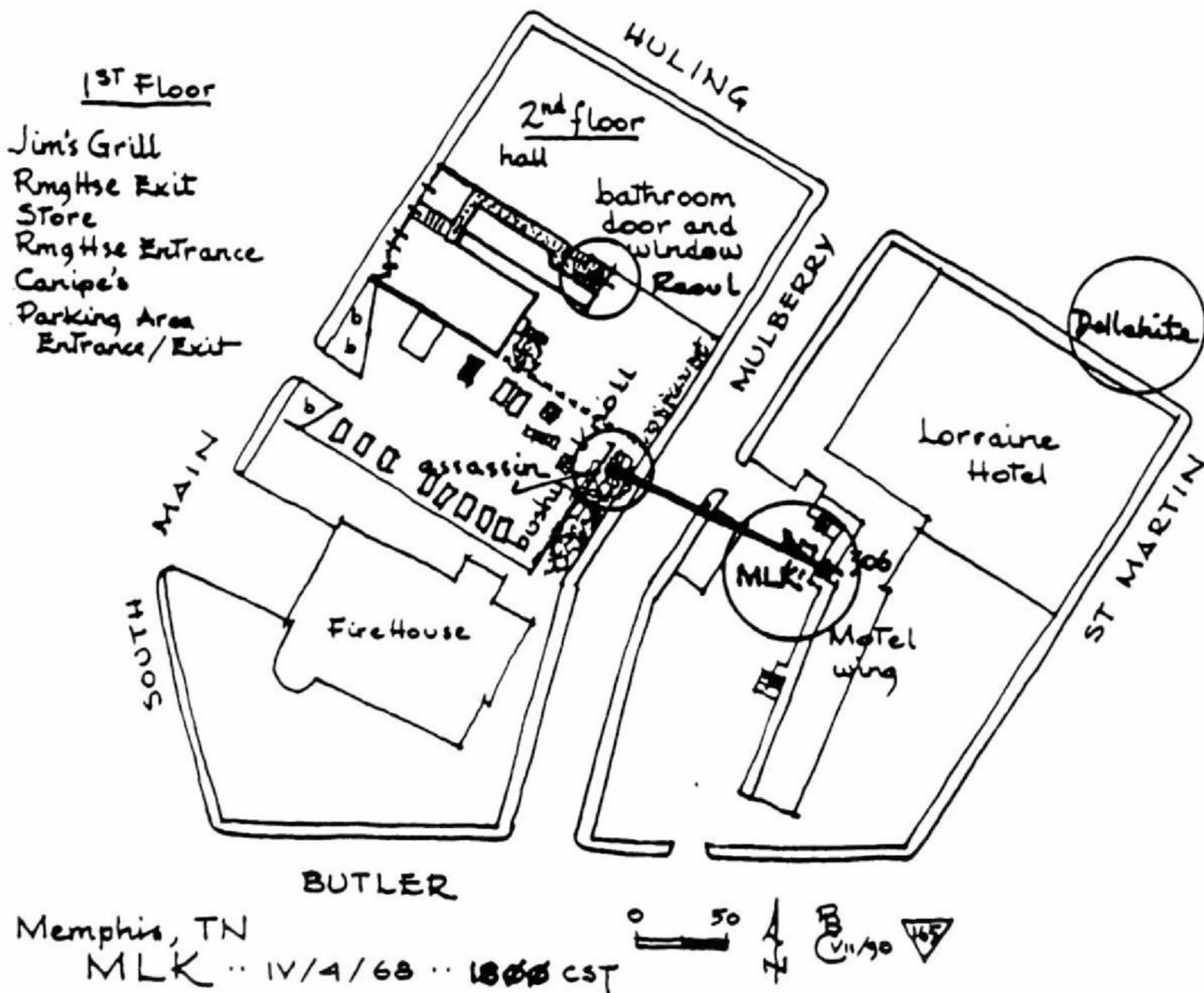
It is 1800 CST

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Scene 1



Scene 2



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Scene 3 : the same four circles of interest during the first minute after the murder

People who came to Dr King's aid are photographed on the balcony yelling and pointing across Mulberry St at the fleeing assassin they are NOT pointing at Raoul's bathroom window

The assassin disassembles his rifle and scoots around the corner of the building to the passenger seat in the getaway car.

Raoul, grabbing the bundle of patsy evidence, vacates the bathroom, runs down the hall and down the stairs onto South Main. Proceeding as normally as possible, well ahead of Dollahite's rounding the corner of Huling, he drops the bundle in Canipe's recessed doorway and joined the assassin in the parked getaway car.

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Scene 4 : the same four circles of interest appear as three as Raoul and the assassin escape during the second minute after the murder

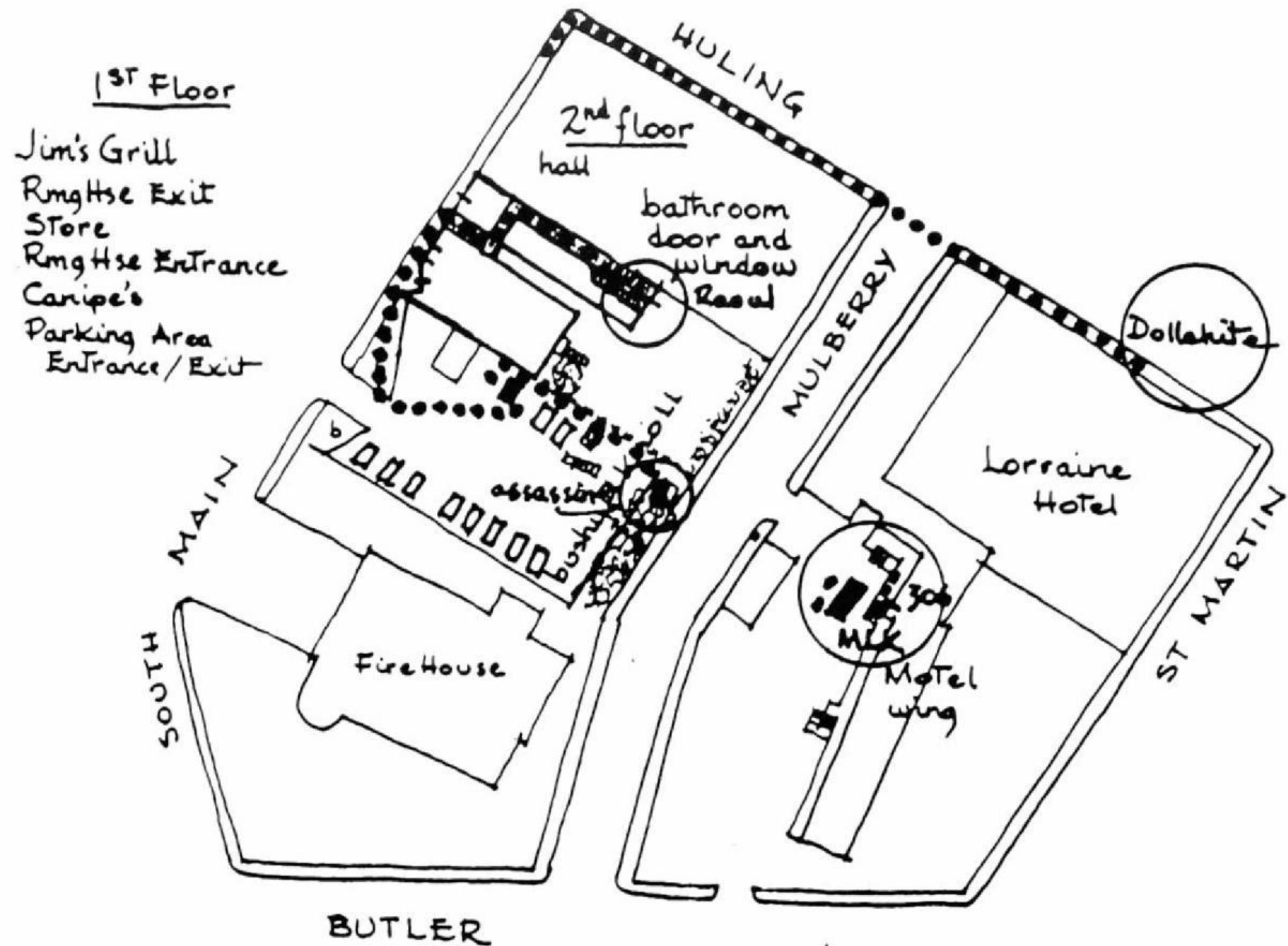
Little change on the balcony as they wait for the ambulance

Dollahite, running along South Main, does not see the bundle in the recessed doorway. Intent on securing Jim's Grill, he does not notice a car exiting the parking area and melding into the traffic. When he re-emerges to look further it has disappeared.

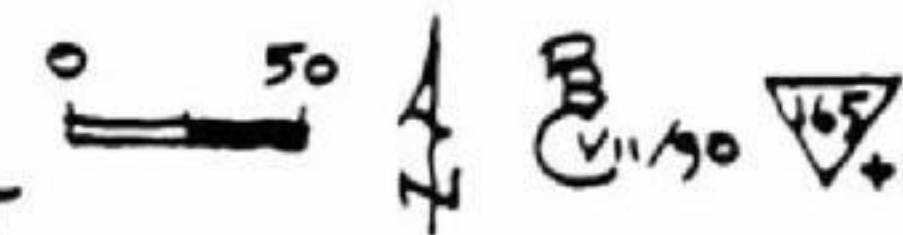
For some this is much too pat. It is presented as a reasonable scenario, feasible within the given time limits ..that's all.

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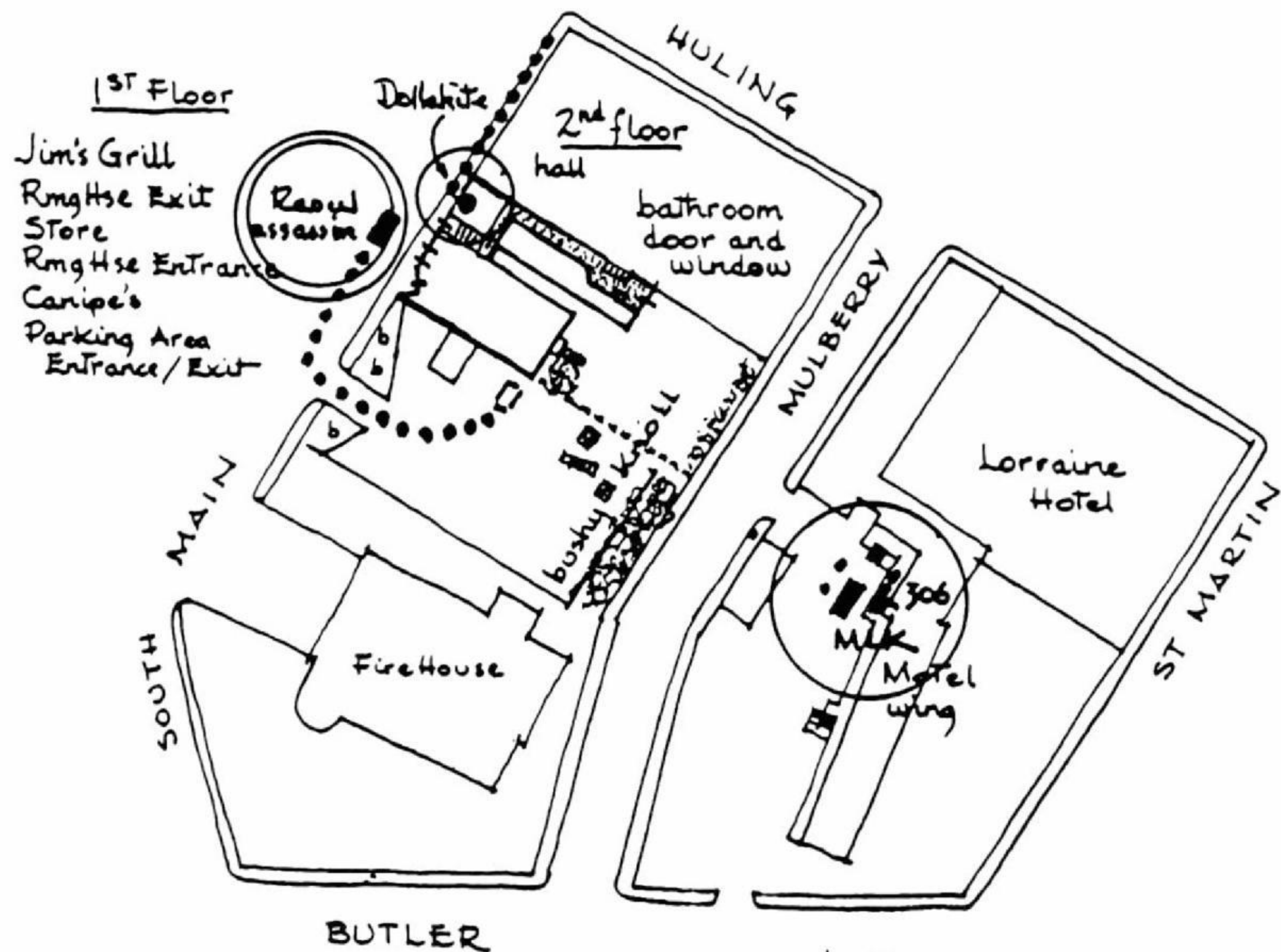
Scene 3



Memphis, TN
MLK .. IV/4/68 .. 1800 CST
to 1801



Scene 4



Memphis, TN
MLK .. IV/4/68 .. 1801
to 1802



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The Otmoor article deserves better than GKG can produce. Specifically, the Weisberg-McDonnell insistence that the "death slug", removed from Dr King's back, had

...suffucient markings on it to make test-fire comparisons Exposing the fraudulent guilty-plea trial makes examination of old evidence, leading toward action on James' behalf, mandatory.

Where is the reaction from the investigative media? from anyone in the Department of Justice? from any foundation, institution or association beating the drums of American Democracy, Freedom and Liberty? Who comes forward to test and compare?

James has been in custody since June of 1968. From the former DCI President on down there is not an Executive Branch official who does not know James is innocent. Not one of them can lift a finger to help because the mechanics who did the dirty work have the top brass hog-tied. Some call omerta's monthly stipend, another name ; Blackmail.

Control over who is sprung, who is terminated and who is allowed to live, in return for not rocking the good ship Coverup, is at the whim of the assassins. The Lone-Assassin Myth must be nourished. Coverup is constant, demanding and forever. As long as no one tries to match the "death slug's" riflings with the rifle's, it remains as the evidence that James Earl Ray murdered Martin Luther King jr.

Our sources indicate that Raoul no longer is averse to being known as Frenchy. The FBI can do nothing about the Dallas-Memphis link because the CIA indicates national security might be compromised.

It should be..soon, so we can all jump ship with James when he goes.

The article's Jules Kimble and Myron Billett stories clearly point to CIA involvement in this murder. Was James also assisted by the company? To see him as another Hidell, infiltrating and reporting back to whoever was trying to save Dr King's life is not the way we read Tennessee Waltz. Nonetheless, the Galt, Bridgman, Willard and Sneyd ID's are puzzling. Risking the author's scorn, we have no quarrel with his visiting the library and researching the birth records, we wonder if he was nudged in the right direction.

With Frenchy now answering to Raoul, and vice versa, there may be enough elbow room in Coverup's brig for James to shed his shackles and slip over the side as everyone watches the mermaids at play. It beats Chappaquiddick, LA and Dealey Plaza as the place to however indirectly launch Glasnost, USA.

The first Communist experiment having foundered on that human failing known as Greed, the autonomy/arbitration self-education of the nineties will lead into self-government, Anarchy and true Communism ... eventually. Peace having replaced PWM at the helm, the good ship Coverup can now be beached & turned into a tourist trap with cloak and dagger fables available en cassette.

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